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## **AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed February 25, 2005. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider the rejections in view of the following remarks, as set forth below.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.